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Philatelic Journalism.

ALTHOUGH many writers better qualified to touch upon this subject, have dealt with it in a commendable style, they have omitted some important facts which ought to be placed before the philatelic public.

With astonishment we observe the rapid growth of philately, which has been caused mostly by Philatelic Journals. It was the receiving of a sample copy, of a stamp paper which first a gave me the "craze."

When stamp collecting commenced, Philatelic Journals were not thought of but as collecting grew, it was found that something was needed which resulted in publishing of "*The Stamp Collectors' Review*" at Liverpool, January 1st, 1862.

French and German collectors seeing the value of this publication and the need of one in their own languages brought forth the next year "1863" a Journal in French and one in German, the former the world renowned and oldest Philatelic paper, "*Le Timbre Poste*" of Brussels and the latter the "*Magazine Fuer Briefmarkensammler*" at Leipsig.

The first Philatelic Journal in America is said to have been the "*Stamp Collectors' Record*" issued at Montreal in 1864.

There are only about six Journals at present in England, which are by far the inferiors of American Journals.

In America as we all know, the Journals of this kind are almost innumerable.

We are sorry to say that American Journals are not as long lived as the European, which is because our collectors do not take hold of a good thing when they have it.

It is the duty of every Philatelist to subscribe for at least one good Philatelic paper and by so doing he helps not only the publisher to give a better paper, but he helps himself by the knowledge he receives in reading the Chronicle of New Issues and the articles of interest, and he also has a list of advertising dealers to select prices from; and last, but not least, he will not be taken in by dealers in forgeries and frauds.

Philatelic Journals, as a rule, are not very large and are published monthly. *The Philatelic Fortnightly* published by E. R. ALDRICH and *The Collectors' Weekly* by Marshall and Tourtellot, were we think the only papers published oftener than once a month and these have died for lack of support.

The American Philatelist and *The Philatelic Journal* are the largest stamp papers in America. W. H. VERITY.

THE POSTAGE STAMPS OF ECQUADOR.

BY C. F. EUSTIS.

Ecquador, a small country in the northwestern part of S. America, has a government like our own, the President being one Gargia Murena. It first issued postage stamps in 1856, that year so important in the history of this nation. The varieties are as follows:

QUADRILLE PAPER, 1865.

1 Real Yellow.

WHITE PAPER, 1865.

½ r. blue,
1 r. buff,
1 r. yellow,
1 r. green,

1866.

4 r. red (arms in oval).
4 r. red (arms in circle).

BLUE PAPER, 1872.

1 r. yellow.

WHITE PAPER, Perforated, 1872.

½ r. blue,
1 r. orange,
1 peso rose.

WHITE PAPER, 1881.

Perforated.

1 cent brown,
2 cents lake,
5 cents blue,
10 cents orange,
20 cents slate,
50 cents green.

WHITE PAPER, 1882.

Perforated.

10 cent over 50 cent green.

Revenues used as Postage, 1885.

1 cent blue,
2 cents bistre,
5 cents vermillion.

Same surcharged with circle enclosing the words Union Postal, May 2, 1888.

GUAQUIL, ISSUED IN 1885.

2 cent bistre,
5 cent vermillion.

REGULAR ISSUE, 1887.

1 cent green,
2 cents carmine,
5 cents blue,
10 cents orange,
80 cents gray.

ENVELOPE STAMPS 1887.

5 cents blue, blue paper,
5 cents blue yellow paper,
5 cents blue, white paper,
5 cents blue, blue paper,
10 cents orange, blue paper,
10 cents orange, yellow.

There is a dangerous counterfeit in circulation of the 1887 issue. In the genuine the eagle's head is turned to the left while in the counterfeit it is turned to the right. The above should be taken as a warning and not as a fact as it is a matter of some doubt among philatelists with regard to this matter, and efforts are being made to ascertain the truth.

CAPITAL CITY PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

Meetings held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 473 C street, N. W. President, J. H. Frank; Vice-President, W. S Kaye; Secretary and Treasurer, F. McC. Smith; Exchange Superintendent, J. H. Houston; Librarian, W. Menchine. For information address the Secretary, 319 C street N. W., Washington, D. C.

Eleventh regular meeting, September 26, 1888.

Present: Messrs. Frank, Houston, Green and Smith. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. The Sec. reported receipt of several communications, etc The Executive Committee reported favorably on the application for membership of Mr. H. E. Green and the same was duly elected a member.

On motion of Mr. Smith it was declared that the office of Vice-President had been vacant from the time of the first semi-annual election to the time of the second, owing to the fact that Mr. Storch, who was at first elected to fill that office, has never become a member of the society.

The meeting then adjourned, after which the balance of the evening was given up to conversation.

Next meeting, October 24, at which all are invited to be present.

F. McC. Smith, *Secretary.*

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Stamp Collectors' Figaro has re-appeared.

The Philatelic Gazette now comes to us from Chicago in entirely new form.

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We will give eight subscriptions to this paper, and a subscription free to the getter up of the club; for one dollar. Get your friends to subscribe.

The Philatelic Beacon has appeared. It comes from Newtonville, Mass. presents a very neat appearance, and gives assurance of twelve numbers.

The Alabama Philatelist, twelve pages, will be issued about October 31st from Mobile, Alabama, by Robert A. Sheldon, and with W. C. Peters as assistant editor. We wish them success.

The new *Philatelic Herald*, Vol. V, Number II. has reached us from Freeport, Me. It presents a fine appearance and we wish it all success.

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S. Allan Taylor seems to have been a prominent figure at Boston. It is certainly too bad that all cannot do what is right, but it cannot be so. All dishonest ones will have a chance to repent, however, and we trust their chance will soon come.

Upon the tenth of December, at least, we hope to be able to enlarge. In order that this may be accomplished we earnestly ask you to subscribe. We cannot and will not send you sample copies every month, and to those receiving sample copies of this number we wish to say that you will not see us again unless you subscribe.

By the first of next month, if not already, all collectors will have returned to their homes, and in most localities will be sitting by the fireside attaching stamps in their albums during spare time, or perhaps reading the current number of *The National Philatelist*. Without a doubt the N. P. will be found in the households of a great number of wide-awake collectors, and it is here that the enterprising dealer should have his advertisement seen. We will guarantee that it will be seen if he will but place an "ad" in some issue of our paper. What more can we promise.

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Readers, you need have no fear of patronizing those dealers who make use of our columns.

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